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Town of Berwyn Heights Receives Prestigious Sustainable Maryland Certified Award at Maryland Municipal League Conference

College Park, MD (October 16, 2017) – The Environmental Finance Center at the University of Maryland announced that the **Town of Berwyn Heights** was one of 13 Maryland municipalities honored at the **Sustainable Maryland Awards Ceremony** at the Maryland Municipal League's annual Fall Conference last Friday in Rockville, Maryland.

Berwyn Heights was one of nine Maryland municipalities to originally become Sustainable Maryland Certified in 2014, and the Town successfully became re-certified again this year.

A detailed summary of Berwyn Heights' sustainability Actions can be found in their Certification Report, attached as a PDF.

Highlights of Berwyn Heights' accomplishments include:

- Created a Community Garden, now in its fourth year, with 30 garden plots available to residents.
- Partnered with Ecobeco, an energy efficiency company, to host an energy efficiency workshop for residents concerned about high energy bills and older drafty homes.
- Marked its 20th year as a Tree City USA community.
- Installed energy-efficient LED lighting at town facilities.
- Created a Green Team webpage to serve as a sustainability resource center for residents.
- Promoted bicycling by establishing bicycle trails connecting the Town to neighboring communities and to the region's public transportation and tourist hubs, and installing bike repair stations and bicycle racks at Town facilities.
- Hosted a free rain barrel workshop, providing 30 residents guidance on assembling their own rain barrels.